IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

re Application of: Widner et al.

Confirmation No. 4969

Serial No.: 09/834,271

Group Art Unit: 1652

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Examiner: M. Monshipouri

For: Methods for Producing a Polypeptide in a Bacillus Cell

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 30, 2004, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

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Attopey Docket No.: 5455.210-US

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AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the above-identified application in response to the Office Action mailed **March 30, 2004**.

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action be extended for a period of 1 month from June 30, 2004 to July 30, 2004. The required fee for the extension is estimated to be \$110.00.

No additional claims fee is required.

Please charge the required extension and claims fees, estimated to be \$110.00, to Novozymes North America, Inc., Deposit Account No. 50-1701. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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Sir:

I hereby certify that the attached correspondence comprising:

- 1. Amendment Fee Transmittal (in duplicate)
- 2. Amendment

is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the address indicated above on July 7, 2004.

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